

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING
JUNE 4, 2014

Board Members in Attendance: Board Members Absent:

Carleton C. Cappuccino, DMD, Chair Thomas Bertrand, MPH

Robert E. Bartro, DDS, Vice Chair

Donald C. Williams, Secretary

Craig VanDongen, DDS

Maureen Ross, RDH, BS

Stephen J. Puerini, DMD

Russell Chin, DDS

Louis Marciano, BS, M.Ed

Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA

Maryellen Simas, RDH

Caroline Danish, DDS

Martin C. Nager, DMD

Robert Ricci, Ph.D

Staff Members in Attendance: Others in Attendance:

Michael Fine, MD Valerie Celantano, RIDA

James McDonald, MD Marie Jones-Bridges, RIDHA

Donna Costantino, MBA Lynn McShane, RIDAA

Amy Coleman, JD Patrick Quinlan, JD, RIDA

Linda Phillips

Robert O'Donnell, MS

Establishment of Quorum:

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at the RI Department of Health, Conference Room 401, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02903. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 8:08AM on a motion by Russell Chin, DDS and seconded by Robert Ricci, Ph.D. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Martin C. Nager, DMD, and seconded by Maureen Ross, RDH, BS, to accept the OPEN Minutes of May 7, 2014, with corrections. The Board voted unanimously to approve the OPEN Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Administrative Issues:

Announcements:

July 2, 2014 meeting will be held as scheduled.

Communications:

Letter of resignation of Joseph G. Samartano, Jr., DDS, was reviewed

by the Board.

After Board discussion on the inquiry from the Department of Maine on questions reference to Dental Assisting it was determined that Board member Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA, would send a link to Rhode Island Department of Health to provide the information that was requested by the State of Maine.

The list of issued licenses was announced to all Board Members present. Motion was made by Stephen J. Puerini, DMD, and seconded by Russell Chin, DDS, to approve the list of licensees. Motion carried. The following is a list of those licensees:

Issued Licenses:

DENTISTS

Jonah Barasz

Sheila Brijade

Ashley Newman

Derek Nobrega

DENTAL HYGIENISTS

Ashley Avelar (LA)

Kristen Brunelle (LA)

Mia Coletta

Sarah Guthrie (LA)

Alexis Leite (LA)

VOLUNTEER DENTIST

Arnold Nadler

Eliot Paisner

Mary Terkoski

Lisa Vouras

Randy Weiner

David Zaluski

Gregory Zirakian

VOLUNTEER DENTAL HYGIENIST

Luanne Chester

Corie Lewis

Holly Nagle

LIMITED DENTAL LICENSES

Anna Abrahamian

Drew Colantino

Mark Dawoud

Robyn Hofelich

Avani Khera

Margaret Maclin

Dave Patel

Christa Rodenas

Brittany Sloan

Leslie Slowikowski

Sara Van Arsdall

(NOTE: Caroline Danish, DDS, and Michael Fine, MD, arrived at 8:15AM, Donna Costantino, MBA and Robert O'Donnell, MS, arrived at 8:20AM.)

Old Business:

Ownership of Dental Practices – Continued

Dental Anesthesia Verification Document – Continued

New Business:

**Discussion of Licensing Committee Composition – Dr. Cappuccino:
Continued**

Discussion as to the need to hire a new Dental Administrator Director.

**Discussion as to the need to forming a Legislative Committee to
represent the Board.**

Public Comment (Topic Specific to Today's Meeting):

Patrick Quinlan, JD, RIDA, handed out information on the Dental Practice Act and discussed legislative bills which were pending. Attorney Quinlan also requested that public comments be presented before the Board takes a vote.

Marie Jones-Bridges, RIDHA, stated that she had input on legislative bills and that she attended several hearings.

Adjourn to Executive CLOSED Session:

Motion was made by Stephen J. Puerini, DMD, and seconded by Maureen Ross, RDH, BS, to adjourn to Executive CLOSED Session at 9:30am. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5 of the RI General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health or applicants for licensure and licensees, and investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Said individuals have been notified in advance in writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an OPEN meeting.

Return to OPEN Session:

Motion was made by Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA, and seconded by Martin C. Nager, DMD, at 11:45am to re-open the OPEN session and to seal the Minutes of the Executive (CLOSED) Session pursuant

to Section 42-46(1) and (2) of the RI General Laws. Motion carried.

Final Actions:

There were no final actions at this meeting.

Adjourn:

The next RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry meeting will be held Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the RI Department of Health, Conference Room 401, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02903. Motion was made by Craig VanDongen, DDS and seconded by Maureen Ross, RDH, BS, to adjourn at 11:45a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. O'Donnell, Jr.

Medicolegal Administrator

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